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On the State of the Public Health and Sanitary Condition of the

WARMINSTER URBAN DISTRICT

for the Year

1966

WARMINSTER URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

JOSEPH REYNOLDS.

Medical Officer of Health
of The Warminster Urban
District Council.

Health Department,

Craven House,

Warminster,

Wilts.

Cllr. H. A. Jones, Esq.,
Chairman, Warminster Urban District Council.

Sir,

I have the honour to present my Annual Report for the year 1966, relating to the state of the public health and sanitary conditions in the urban district of Warminster. With it is the report of your Chief Public Health Inspector.

It will be seen from the Vital Statistics that the urban district compares very favourably with the rest of England and Wales. No serious outbreak of infectious disease took place during the period.

I wish to express my gratitude to my colleagues, the family doctors and the staff of the Urban District Council, for their co-operation in the work of the Public Health Department. Also I am grateful to the Public Health Committee for their co-operation and patience in the supervision of the health of the area.

I have the honour to be Sir,

Your obedient servant,

JOSEPH REYNOLDS.

WARMINSTER URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

To 20th May, 1966.

From 20th May, 1966.

Chairman of the Council:

Cllr. E. Rees.

Cllr. H. A. Jones.

Vice-Chairman:

Cllr. H. A. Jones.

Cllr. A. Beaven.

Chairman of the Public Health Committee:

Cllr. E. R. Tracey.

Cllr. E. R. Tracey.

Members of the Public Health Committee:

Chairman of the Council)
Vice-Chairman of the Council) ex officio

Councillors:

Miss E.G. Butterworth.	Miss E. G. Butterworth.
A. C. Curtis,	A. Beaven.
C.E. Kindersley, F.R.C.S.	A. C. Curtis.
R. J. King.	H. N. Dewey.
G. H. Nicholls.	C.E. Kindersley, F.R.C.S.
J. P. Quartley.	R. J. King.
E. R. Tracey.	G. H. Nicholls.
	W. J. Stone.
	E. R. Tracey.

Members elected to the West Wilts Water Board:

Cllr. J. P. Quartley.

Deputy:

Cllr. E. R. Tracey.

Cllr. E. F. S. Whitmarsh.

Public Health Officers of the Authority:

Medical Officer of Health:

Office:

Joseph Reynolds, M.C., L.R.C.P. Edin., L.R.C.S. Edin.,
L.R.F.P. & S. Glas., D.P.H. (Eng.)

) Craven House,
) Warminster.

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) Telephone:
) Warminster 3428/9.

Chief Public Health Inspector:

William Parks, M.I.Mun.E., C.R.S.I.

Assistant Public Health Inspectors:

F. Marshall, M.A.P.H.I.

J. Withey.

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) Portway House,
) Warminster.

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) Telephone:
) Warminster 2394.

Clerks:

Miss K. V. Jones.
Miss P. J. Lapham.
Miss H. S. Street.

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA.

(Figures in brackets refer to previous year)

Area of the District (in acres).	5,651	
Population - Registrar General's estimate as at 30th June, 1966.	11,670	(10,700)
Density of Population - Persons per acre.	2.1	(1.9)
Number of Hereditaments.	3,539	(3,540)
Rateable Value at 1st April, 1966.	£406,817	(£381,054)
Estimated Product of Penny Rate.	£1,670	(£1,605)

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STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA (Continued).

Rateable Value per head of population.	£38 0s. 5d.	(£36 11s. 5d.)
Total Net Debt.	£1,251,087	(£1,171,335)

The town is very pleasantly situated on the chalk in the Wylve Valley at the South Western edge of Salisbury Plain. The School of Infantry Training is well concealed with the district boundaries and does not obtrude on the landscape. Large R.E.M.E. establishments provide much employment as do other motor engineering works. Other industries include shoe component factories, glove factories, printing works (including production of greeting cards), pottery works, furniture manufacturers and a banana storage, ripening and distribution centre.

VITAL STATISTICS.

The population figures given are home populations (i.e. including members of the Armed Forces stationed in the area). The figures for deaths include those of members of the Armed Forces. The Area comparability factors for use with birth and death rates contain adjustments for boundary changes and make allowance for the way in which the sex and age distribution of the local population differs from that for England and Wales as a whole. In addition, the death rate area comparability factors have been adjusted specifically to take account of the presence of any residential institutions in each area. When local birth and death rates are multiplied by the appropriate area comparability factor, they are comparable with the rate for England and Wales or with the corresponding adjusted rate for any other area.

a) <u>Live Births.</u>	<u>Male.</u>	<u>Female.</u>
TOTAL	143	111
Legitimate	138	104
Illegitimate	5	7

Live Birth Rate.

a) per 1,000 population of the Urban District.	21.8
b) of the Urban District after correction by Area Comparability Factor (1.10).	23.9
c) per 1,000 population of the County of Wiltshire.	18.7
d) per 1,000 population of England and Wales.	17.7

b) <u>Still Births.</u>	<u>Male.</u>	<u>Female.</u>
TOTAL	4	0
Legitimate	4	0

c) <u>Deaths.</u>	<u>Male.</u>	<u>Female.</u>	<u>Total.</u>
Number of Deaths as enumerated by Registrar General.	58	64	122
<u>Death Rate</u> per 1,000 population of the Urban District.		10.5	
<u>Death Rate</u> after correction by Area Comparability Factor (0.92)		9.6	
<u>Death Rate</u> per 1,000 population of the County of Wiltshire.		10.5	
<u>Death Rate</u> per 1,000 population of England and Wales.		11.7	

d)	<u>Deaths of Infants under one year of age.</u>	<u>Male.</u>	<u>Female.</u>
	TOTAL	4	1
	Legitimate	4	1

e)	<u>Deaths of Infants under 4 weeks of age.</u>		
	TOTAL	4	1
	Legitimate	4	1

f)	<u>Deaths of Infants under one week of age.</u>		
	TOTAL	2	1
	Legitimate	2	1

g) Causes of Death.

<u>Group A - Certain Communicable Diseases.</u>	<u>Male.</u>	<u>Female.</u>	<u>Total.</u>
1. Tuberculosis, respiratory	0	0	0
2. Tuberculosis, other	0	0	0
3. Syphilitic disease	0	0	0
4. Diphtheria	0	0	0
5. Whooping Cough	0	0	0
6. Meningococcal infections	0	0	0
7. Acute poliomyelitis	0	0	0
8. Measles	0	0	0
9. Other infective and parasitic diseases (except Influenza and Pneumonia)	0	0	0
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Total Group A.	0	0	0

<u>Group B - Cancer and related Malignant Disease.</u>			
10. Malignant neoplasm, stomach	3	1	4
11. Malignant neoplasm, lung bronchus	2	1	3
12. Malignant neoplasm, breast	0	1	1
13. Malignant neoplasm, uterus	0	4	4
14. Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasms.	7	9	16
15. Leukaemia, aleukaemia	1	0	1
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Total Group B.	13	16	29

16. Diabetes	0	0	0
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<u>Group D - Heart Disease and other disease of circulatory system.</u>			
17. Vascular lesions of nervous system	3	17	20
18. Coronary disease, angina	10	7	17
19. Hypertension with heart disease	0	0	0

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<u>Group D - Heart Disease and other disease of circulatory system (Continued).</u>	<u>Male.</u>	<u>Female.</u>	<u>Total.</u>
20. Other heart disease	13	11	24
21. Other circulatory disease	5	5	10
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Total Group D.	31	40	71

<u>Group E - Respiratory diseases (other than Tuberculosis).</u>			
22. Influenza	0	0	0
23. Pneumonia	3	1	4
24. Bronchitis	3	1	4
25. Other diseases of respiratory system	0	1	1
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Total Group E.	6	3	9

<u>Group F.</u>			
26. Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	0	0	0
27. Gastritis, enteritis and diarrhoea	0	0	0
28. Nephritis and nephrosis	1	0	1
29. Hyperplasia of prostate	1	0	1
30. Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion	0	0	0
31. Congential malformations	1	0	1
32. Other defined and ill-defined diseases	5	4	9
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Total Group F.	8	4	12

<u>Group G - Accidents and Violence.</u>			
33. Motor Vehicle Accidents	0	0	0
34. All other accidents	0	1	1
35. Suicide	0	0	0
36. Homicide and operations of war	0	0	0
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Total Group G.	0	1	1
37. All Causes	58	64	122

Ages at Death.

	<u>Under 4 weeks</u>	<u>Under 1</u>	<u>1-</u>	<u>5-</u>	<u>15-</u>	<u>25-</u>	<u>35-</u>	<u>45-</u>	<u>55-</u>	<u>65-</u>	<u>75 and over</u>
Male	4	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	10	14	29
Female	1	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	6	20	31

TABLE OF BIRTH AND DEATH RATES.

(Local Rates after correction by Area Factors).

Year.	Population.	Births.	Rate per 1,000 population Warrminster.	Rate per 1,000 population England and Wales.	Deaths.	Rate per 1,000 population Warrminster.	Rate per 1,000 population England and Wales.	Deaths of Infants under one year of age.
1957	8,360	154	18.6	16.1	110	6.7	11.5	3
1958	8,890	166	20.0	16.4	127	10.5	11.7	4
1959	8,790	176	21.4	16.5	137	7.9	11.6	4
1960	8,800	195	23.5	17.1	117	10.1	11.5	5
1961	9,930	181	18.2	17.4	115	10.8	12.0	4
1962	9,780	198	18.4	18.0	118	9.4	11.9	2
1963	10,110	186	19.9	18.2	137	12.5	12.2	2
1964	10,420	209	21.7	18.4	142	12.5	11.3	4
1965	10,700	251	25.5	18.1	110	8.4	11.5	1
1966	11,670	254	23.9	17.7	122	9.6	11.7	5

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES IN THE AREA.

a) Laboratory facilities.

All samples requiring laboratory examination are sent to the Public Health Laboratory in Bath. Not only are reports on these samples available from the Medical Director but he is always willing to visit the District, and the Medical Practitioners and myself find this personal contact most satisfactory.

b) Ambulance Service.

The Ambulance service is provided and controlled by the Wiltshire County Council. The service in this district is controlled from Bradford-on-Avon where the station is manned continuously. A sub-station in Warminster also serves the district. Non-emergency calls must originate from a doctor, dentist or midwife.

To obtain an ambulance in an emergency:-

where there is a dialling system in operation, dial 999

where there is no dialling system, lift the receiver and ask for an ambulance.

c) Midwifery, Home Nursing, Health Visitors and Home Helps.

These services are provided and controlled by the Wiltshire County Council, County Hall, Trowbridge, Telephone: Trowbridge 3641.

d) Clinics and Treatment Centres.

The following Clinics serve the districts:-

1. Ante Natal:

At the Maternity Hospitals concerned.

Consultant Clinics are at Trowbridge and Bradford-on-Avon for patients referred by their own doctor or midwife.

Westbury Hospital - Thursday afternoons commencing at 2 p.m.

Sanbourne Hospital - Tuesday and Thursday afternoons commencing at 2 p.m. for Bradford-on-Avon patients only.

2. Infant Welfare:

Health Clinic, The Avenue, Warminster at 2 - 4 p.m. on first and third Fridays of each month.

Military Families Club, School of Infantry, Inber Road, Warminster at 2 - 4 p.m. on every Thursday of each month.

3. Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Tetanus and Poliomyelitis Immunization:

Immunization is undertaken by the County Council and Medical Officers visit the schools in outlying villages at specified dates for this purpose. All family doctors will also carry out immunization.

The Warminster Clinic is held on the first Thursday of every month at 2 p.m. at the Health Clinic, The Avenue, Warminster.

4. Paediatrics:

Warminster Hospital on second Friday in each month.

5. Ear, Nose and Throat:

By invitation from the County Council or through the family doctor. Warminster Hospital by appointment from hospital.

6. Eye:

By invitation from the County Council.

Second, fourth and fifth Fridays in each month at Methodist Schoolroom, Warminster.

7. Orthopaedic:

At Warminster - first Monday in each month.

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GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES IN THE AREA (Continued).

8. Gynaecology:
At Warminster Hospital on fourth Wednesday in each month, and at Westbury Hospital on first Monday in each month.
9. Chest Clinic:
Trowbridge - Wednesday mornings 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Cases referred by own doctor, or by invitation from County Council.
10. Rheumatism:
Alternate Wednesdays at Trowbridge and District Hospital.
11. Radiotherapy Follow Up (Cancer):
At Bristol and Bath by arrangement with the County Council.
At Trowbridge and District Hospital every Wednesday in each month.
At Warminster third Thursday morning in each month.
At Westbury second Thursday in each month.
12. Mental Illness:
Trowbridge and District Hospital every Tuesday afternoon.
13. Chiropody:
By arrangement with the County Council.
14. Veneral Diseases:

	<u>Men.</u>	<u>Women.</u>
General Infirmary, Salisbury.	Friday - 5 - 6 p.m.	Friday - 3 - 4 p.m.
Royal United Hospital, Bath.	Friday - 5 - 6.30 p.m. Saturday - 5 - 6.30 p.m.	Tuesday - 5 - 6.30 p.m. Friday - 2.30 - 4.00 p.m.
St. Martin's Hospital, Bath.	Tuesday - 2 p.m.	Tuesday - 2 p.m.

Welfare Foods are distributed at the Health Clinic, The Avenue, Warminster, on: Tuesday 10 a.m. - 12 noon; Thursday 9.30 - 10.30 a.m.; Friday 2 - 4 p.m.

Nursing equipment and appliances can be loaned from the Medical Loan Depot in charge of Mrs. Garvase Nicholls, St. Andrew's, Boreham Road, Warminster, Telephone: Warminster 2360.

c) Hospitals.

The four hospitals noted below serve the district and are controlled by the West Wiltshire Hospital Management Committee:

	<u>Beds.</u>	<u>Classification.</u>	<u>Type of case dealt with.</u>
Warminster Hospital	30	Wholly general.	Acute medical and surgical cases. Gynaecological cases. Chronic sick patients for short periods only.
Westbury and District Hospital	20	do.	
Sanbourne Hospital	102	Mainly chronic sick.	Aged chronic sick. Accommodation reserved to the County Council for 26 welfare residents.
Beckford Hospital, Warminster	32	Pre-convalescent and recovery unit, plus orthopaedic cases.	

Many residents also attend and receive treatment at several Hospitals in Bath and Salisbury.

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e) Hospitals (Continued).

Maternity cases are admitted to Hospitals at Bradford-on-Avon, Trowbridge and Salisbury.

Cases of infectious diseases are admitted to the Isolation Hospital at Bath. The majority of cases of Tuberculosis are admitted to Winsley Chest Hospital, The Manor Hospital, Bath and Odstock Hospital, Salisbury.

f) Mortuary.

An annual payment is made to the West Wiltshire Hospital Management Committee for mortuary facilities at the Sanbourne Hospital, Warminster. The visiting pathologist has expressed his satisfaction with the facilities provided.

GENERAL INFORMATION.

Ministry of Labour and National Service.

Weymouth Street,
Warminster.

Telephone: Warminster 2351.

Hours: 9 - 5 p.m.

Registrar of Births, Marriages and Deaths.

The Avenue,
Warminster.

Laverton Institute,
Westbury.

Telephone: Warminster 3435.

Telephone: Westbury 2122.

Hours: Monday 2.30 - 4 p.m., Wednesday 10 -
11.30 a.m., Friday 10 a.m. - 12 noon.

Hours: Tuesday 9.30 - 11 a.m.,
Thursday 9.30 - 11 a.m., Friday 3 -
4 p.m.

Ministry of Social Security.

Area Office:

Honefield House,
Polebarn Road,
Trowbridge.

School Lane,
Bellvue Road,
Salisbury.

Telephone: Trowbridge 2348.

Telephone: Salisbury 3247.

In the event of an emergency outside office hours in which the service of an Officer of the Board are required, please telephone:

Mr. P. Walnes,
4 Lownead,
Trowbridge.

or

Mr. B. E. W. Fear,
17 Avondale Road,
Trowbridge.

Telephone: Trowbridge 4206.

Telephone: Trowbridge 5457.

If you are unable to contact either Mr. Walnes or Mr. Fear, contact should be made with whoever of the following officers is nearest to the locality of the emergency:

Mr. W. H. Butt,
42 Tisnead Crescent,
Swindon.

Mr. F. E. Freeman,
"Fairlawn", Bath Road,
Swindon.

Telephone: Swindon 4602.

Telephone: Swindon 5293.

Mr. R. L. Bennetts,
1 Dainsway,
Salisbury.

Mr. L. McCarthy,
Church Lane, North Bradley,
Trowbridge.

Telephone: Salisbury 4365.

Telephone: Trowbridge 4176.

GENERAL INFORMATION (Continued).

Mental Health Officers.

Mr. F. Garnett.

Deputies:

Mr. T. R. Williams.

Mr. G. F. Draper.

During Office Hours.

Trowbridge Health Clinic,
The Halve,
Trowbridge.

Telephone: Trowbridge 4084.

Trowbridge Health Clinic,
The Halve,
Trowbridge.

Telephone: Trowbridge 4084.

Outside Office Hours.

Telephone Trowbridge Ambulance Station
to contact the Officers on duty.

Telephone: Trowbridge 3981/2.

Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance.

Weymouth Street,
Warminster.

Telephone: Warminster 2351.

Hours: 9 - 5 p.m.

North Parade,
Frome.

Telephone: Frome 2373.

Honefield House,
Polebarn Road,
Trowbridge.

Telephone: Trowbridge 2348.

PREVENTION AND CONTROL OF INFECTIOUS AND OTHER DISEASES.

The nearest centre which keeps emergency supplies of sera for the treatment of anthrax or botulism is:-

Ham Green Hospital, Bristol.

Telephone: Pill 2165

This hospital also has supplies of human antitetanus immunoglobulin for prophylaxis of tetanus if test doses of tetanus antitoxin of equine origin establish that a patient is severely hypersensitive to horse serum.

Supplies of ovine antitetanus serum are available for the prophylaxis and treatment of tetanus if test doses of tetanus antitoxin of equine origin establish that a patient is severely hypersensitive to horse serum.

Special arrangements for the treatment of anthrax have been provided by the South Western Regional Hospital Board at Claverton Down Hospital, Bath. This hospital also holds anti-anthrax serum for prophylactic use and for the treatment of patients sensitive to penicillin.

Arrangements for immunization against anthrax can be made through the Wiltshire County Council.

Poisons Information Service.

A National Poisons Information Service has been established at Guy's Hospital, London, S.E.1. (HOP 7600) to provide information to medical practitioners so as to facilitate treatment in cases of acute poisoning. This 24 hour service is not available to members of the public.

Organophosphorus Poisoning.

Certain Insecticides contain organophosphorus poisons, e.g. parathion. Treatment is by pyridine-2-aldoxime-methiodide (PAM). A small supply of PAM is available in the Royal Infirmary (Telephone No. Bristol 22041).

Pharmacy

An emergency service for the treatment of cases of organophosphorus insecticide poisoning is also provided by the Medical Division, C.D.E.E. (Ministry of Supply), Porton, Wilts. (Telephone No. Idmiston 211).

Infectious Diseases notified during 1966.

	<u>Jan.</u>	<u>Feb.</u>	<u>Mar.</u>	<u>Apr.</u>	<u>May</u>	<u>June</u>	<u>July</u>	<u>Aug.</u>	<u>Sept.</u>	<u>Oct.</u>	<u>Nov.</u>	<u>Dec.</u>	<u>Total</u>
Measles	-	-	1	27	16	5	16	9	2	-	-	2	78
Whooping Cough	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	2
Food Poisoning	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
	<u>1957</u>	<u>1958</u>	<u>1959</u>	<u>1960</u>	<u>1961</u>	<u>1962</u>	<u>1963</u>	<u>1964</u>	<u>1965</u>	<u>1966</u>			
Measles	63	5	353	2	191	31	33	107	193	78			
Whooping Cough	25	-	-	2	2	-	1	7	-	2			
Meningococcal infections	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-			
Pneumonia	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			
Scarlet Fever	4	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-			
Puerperal Pyrexia	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-			
Polioomyelitis	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			
Dysentery	-	-	4	1	6	-	-	-	-	-			
Food Poisoning	-	-	1	-	-	22	-	-	-	1			
Typhoid Fever	-	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			

Mass Radiography Service.

A Unit of this service visits Warminster at fortnightly intervals and is stationed at the Central Car Park, Warminster on Wednesday mornings from 11 a.m. to 12 noon.

Tuberculosis.

	<u>Pulmonary.</u>		<u>Non-Pulmonary.</u>	
	<u>Male.</u>	<u>Female.</u>	<u>Male.</u>	<u>Female.</u>
Cases on Register at 31.12.65.	32	25	14	16
New Cases notified during 1966	2	3	-	-
Transfers in	-	-	-	-
Deaths	1	-	-	-
Recovered	1	1	1	1
Transferred out of district	2	2	-	-
Cases on Register at 31.12.66.	30	25	13	15

Notifications and Deaths during the year:-

<u>Year.</u>	<u>Pulmonary. Tuberculosis.</u>		<u>Non-Pulmonary. Tuberculosis.</u>		<u>Total.</u>	
	<u>Notifications.</u>	<u>Deaths.</u>	<u>Notifications.</u>	<u>Deaths.</u>	<u>Notifications.</u>	<u>Deaths.</u>
1957	5	-	1	1	6	1
1958	4	-	-	-	4	-
1959	1	1	1	-	2	1
1960	3	-	-	-	3	-
1961	4	-	-	1 (Not on register)	4	1 (Not on register)
1962	3	1	-	-	3	1
1963	4	-	1	-	5	-
1964	6	1	2	-	8	1
1965	2	1	-	-	2	1
1966	5	1	-	-	5	1

Number of Cases on Register at end of each year:-

<u>Year.</u>	<u>Pulmonary.</u>	<u>Non-Pulmonary.</u>	<u>Total.</u>
1957	52	26	78
1958	61	26	87
1959	53	26	79
1960	52	26	78
1961	58	26	84
1962	53	27	80
1963	55	28	83
1964	56	30	86
1965	57	30	87
1966	55	28	83

IMMUNIZATION AND SMALLPOX VACCINATIONS STATISTICS, 1966.

(The figures are supplied by courtesy of Dr. C. D. L. Lycett, C.M.O.H., Wiltshire)

Year of Birth		1966	1965	1964	1963	1962	1957-61	1951-56	Others Under 16
Primary imms.	Diph.	85	143	17	17	12	19	-	-
completed	Wh/c.	84	140	16	16	12	14	-	-
during 1966	Tot.	85	143	17	17	12	26	5	-
Reinf. injects.	Diph.	-	25	79	23	15	180	12	-
administered	Wh/c.	-	20	60	17	12	42	9	-
during 1966	Tot.	-	25	79	23	15	177	16	-

	<u>Months</u>				<u>Years</u>		
Age Group	0-3	3-6	6-9	9-12	1	2-4	5-15
Vaccinations	1	5	3	13	120	53	11
Re-vaccinations	-	-	-	-	-	1	9

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Age Group	3rd. Quad	2nd. inj.	3rd. inj. or 4th Quad	4th. inj.	3 oral doses	2 orals after 2 inj.	4th oral after 3 inj. or 3 oral
1966	6	-	-	-	76	-	-
1965	71	-	1	-	112	3	5
1964	4	-	39	-	24	-	11
1963	2	-	4	-	23	1	1
1962	2	-	2	-	16	-	1
1957 - 1961	1	-	3	-	56	4	151
1951 - 1956	-	-	-	-	13	4	12
Others under 16	-	-	-	-	3	-	2
Others over 16	-	-	-	-	46	-	1
TOTALS	86	-	49	-	369	12	134

Section 47, National Assistance Act, 1948.

No action under this Section has been necessary during 1966.

SECTION D.

SERVICES UNDER THE FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955.

Milk Supplies.

No raw milk is retailed within the urban district. There are fourteen distributors of pasteurised milk. Five inspections were made to the premises and seventy-two samples of milk submitted to the Laboratory for examination. All these milks passed the statutory tests.

The Liquid E (Pasteurisation) Regulations, 1963.

There is no Plant of this nature in the urban district.

SECTION E.

Common Lodging Houses.

There are no common lodging houses within the urban district.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA.Water Supplies.

Water to the urban district is supplied by the West Wilts Water Board from sources at Arn Hill in the urban district, Burtonfield and Dunkerton, Maiden Bradley in the Marc and Tisbury rural district.

Dunkerton first went into supply on 5th August as soon as half of Horningsham Reservoir was ready to receive the water and by the end of the year had pumped near 166 million gallons into the system, it being used to replace the Horningsham Village sources and to supply the southern end of Warminster, Craykeley and Chesnuts Slade, Upton Scudamore, and the Corrent Wells.

Supplies have been sufficient in quantity. The Engineer's report shows that 28,769,000 gallons were supplied to the urban district for the year ending 31st March, 1967, a daily equivalent of 78,000 gallons.

All occupied dwellinghouses in the urban district receive a supply from the Water Board's mains.

Sampling, as shown in the Report of the Water Board's Engineer, gave the following results:-

Water before Chlorination

SOURCE	EXCELLENT (Coliform count less than 1)	SATISFACTORY (Coliform count 1 - 3)	SUSPICIOUS (Coliform count 4 - 10)	UNSATISFACTORY (Coliform count 10 or above or any Bact. Coli Type 1 count)
1. <u>ARN HILL</u>				
No. 1 Bore	16	2	NIL	NIL
No. 2 Bore	26	NIL	1	NIL
2. <u>BURTONFIELD</u>	26	NIL	NIL	NIL
3. <u>MAIDEN BRADLEY</u>	8	2	2	5
TOTAL	76	4	3	5

Samples taken from the distribution system of the sources

PREDOMINANT SOURCE	SATISFACTORY COLIFORM COUNT LESS THAN 1	COLIFORM COUNT 1 - 3	COLIFORM 3+ OR ANY BACT. COLI TYPE 1 COUNT
1. <u>ARN HILL</u>	48	4	NIL
2. <u>BURTONFIELD</u>			
Northern area	139	11	2
3. <u>MAIDEN BRADLEY</u>	99	1	NIL
TOTAL	286	16	2

Water Supplies (Continued).

Three samples of water from Ann Hill were submitted for chemical analysis with the following results:-

	No.2 Pumphouse, 28/2/66	No.1 Pumphouse, 28/11/66	No.2 Pumphouse, 16/11/66
pH	7.2	7.15	7.2
	<u>Parts per Million</u>		
Free Carbon Dioxide CO ₂	16	20	17
Ammonia (as N)			
Free	0.06	0.005	0.094
Albuminoid	0.005	0.007	0.029
Chlorine (as Chlorides)	10	14	13
equivalent to Sodium Chloride	16.5	23	23
Oxygen absorbed (4 hrs.)	0.22	0.27	0.46
Nitrogen in Nitrite	0.005	absent	absent
Nitrogen in Nitrate	0.5	1.0	0.52
Total Solids	308	305	320
Loss on ignition	19	18	15
Appearance on ignition	No visible darkening	Slight charring	Slight charring
Hardness: Temporary	236	225	239
Permanent	<u>8</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>35</u>
Total	244	258	274
Lead and Copper	less than 0.1	less than .1	less than 0.1
Calcium Ca	89	97	100
Magnesium Mg	5	3	4
Sodium Na	13	10	10
Potassium K	2.5	2	3
Carbonate CO ₃	142	135	143
Sulphate SO ₄	15	23	20
Iron Fe	-	0.03	0.16

FACTORIES ACT, 1961.

1. INSPECTIONS for purpose of provisions as to health
(Including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors).

Premises (1)	Number on Register (2)	Number of		
		Inspections (3)	Written notices (4)	Occupiers prosecuted (5)
i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities.	-	-	-	-
ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority.	40	12	-	-
iii) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises).	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	40	12	-	-

2. Cases in which DEFECTS were found.

Particulars	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted
	Found	Remedied	Referred		
			to H.M. Inspector	by H.M. Inspector	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Want of cleanliness (S.1)	-	-	-	-	-
Overcrowding (S.2)	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature (S.3)	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate ventilation (S.4)	-	-	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.5)	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7)	-	-	-	-	-
(a) Insufficient	-	-	-	-	-
(b) Unsuitable or defective	1	1	-	-	-
(c) Not separate for sexes	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to O. work).	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	1	1	-	-	-

FACTORIES ACT, 1961 (Continued).

Part VIII of the Act.

Outwork.

(Sections 133 and 134).

Nature of Work.	Section 133			Section 134		
	No. of out-workers in August list required by Section 133 (1) (c).	No. of cases of default in sending lists to the Council.	No. of prosecutions for failure to supply lists.	No. of instances of work in un-wholesome premises.	Notices served	Prosecutions
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
Wearing apparel (Making, etc., Cleaning and Washing).	38	-	-	-	-	-
The making of boxes or other receptacles or parts thereof made wholly or partially of paper.	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	38	-	-	-	-	-

Mr. W. Parks, Chief Public Health Inspector, reports as follows:-

Number of Food Premises in the District.

Butchers Shop	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9
Grocery and General	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	32
Fishmongers	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Bakehouses	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Fish Fryers	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Cafes	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	11

Premises Registered under Section 16 of the Food and Drugs Act, 1955.

136 visits were made to various food premises and informal action taken in respect of contraventions of the Food Hygiene (General) Regulations 1960, in five cases.

30 inspections were carried out under the Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963 and informal action in respect of contravention of the Act was taken in eleven cases.

Housing.

During the year 89 houses were completed by private enterprise.

Ministry approval was given for the new estate at Portway, work commenced and 13 houses completed during the year.

Improvement Grants.

Thirteen applications were received for Improvement Grants and these were all approved.

Slum Clearance.

During the year there were no demolitions under the provisions of the Housing Acts.

Moveable Dwellings.

Caravans continued to be stationed in the four licensed residential sites in the District. All sites were kept under supervision and found to be run in an orderly manner without giving rise to nuisance or complaint.

Refuse Disposal and Collection.

Refuse disposal by controlled tipping was maintained throughout the year at Portway Lane. An area where tipping has ceased, and away from the present tipping area, has been levelled and finished with a layer of top soil, so that this area may be grassed in the near future and developed as a playing field.

